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Dear Parents and Guardians:

This spring, your student, along with public school students throughout California, will participate in the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program that includes the tests listed below. Students at our schools will take tests on the following dates:

- STAR program (CST, CMA, CAPA, STS) Administration Date(s): April 26- May 14, 2010

Most of our students will take the California Standards Tests (CSTs). Students with significant cognitive disabilities, who are unable to take the CSTs, will take the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) or the California Modified Assessment (CMA). The CSTs, CMA, and CAPA are given in English. Spanish-speaking English learners, who have been enrolled in a school in the United States less than 12 months or who receive instruction in Spanish, also will take the Spanish Standards test (STS).

Test results for all will be sent to each student's home address in a STAR Student Report in the late summer-early fall. STAR Program reports provide valuable information about your student's academic achievement. Please plan to keep these reports for use when talking with the teacher(s) about ways to support your student's academic progress.

Contact your child's Principal during regular school hours if you have questions about the STAR Program or the testing schedule and/or if you prefer your student not participate. Thank you for your support.

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